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## The Delaware Valley's Premier **Beatles** Music Review!

Playing Beatle songs from every era of the Fab Four's career, **Almost FAB** will rock your night away while creating a fun atmosphere with the songs that you know all the words to, and you can sing along with.

The cast of **Almost FAB** cast brings over 150 combined years of playing, studying, and performing to the stage. These seasoned musicians are all in agreement that they are all playing the music that has had the most profound influence on their desire to be musicians.

This gig maybe is most fun these five guys have ever had while on stage, and it shows. Their enjoyment and energy is contagious for the audience members who experience an evening with **Almost FAB**.

So what is an **Almost FAB** show like? The band is not a look alike tribute that wears Sgt. Pepper suits and speaks in fake British accents. **Almost FAB** IS a group of FABulous musicians who entertain by performing the songs the Beatles made famous - *exactly like the original recordings* - in a fun and exciting show that will keep you singing and dancing all night long!

### **ALMOST FAB FEATURES:**

**AJ Defeo** - Bass and Vocals (Paul)

**Rich Snyder** - Rhythm Guitar and Vocals (John)

**Steve Eissler** - Lead Guitar and Vocals (George)

**Anthony Caponigro** - Drums and Vocals (Ringo)

**Ed Scanni** - Keyboards, Percussion, Vocals (George Martin, etal)

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### Reviews of Almost FAB! Performances

- Great band! Musically they are excellent. Glad these guys aren't into that 'Vegas' crap costume changes and wigs!!! The John and Paul guys sound great together. The Ringo REALLY drives this band! If you close your eyes and listen you would swear it was the Beatles. We all know you'll never see the Beatles live, but Almost Fab is the next best thing!
- These guys are GREAT! Take it from an Englishman...
- I was a teenager in the 60's when the Beatles started performing and these guys bring back a lot of memories. I have heard this band twice and I am in route to see them a third time. All they lack being the real thing is black suits and Beatle Wigs.
- Well, saw 'Almost Fab', in not-so-nearby Lansdale, Pa. It was the best thing I could have done. I learned a long time ago to attend musical events with no expectations. All dressed in black ties, white shirts and black vests, they looked like a band. They sounded tight, and it's obvious they worked at getting things right. They really rocked the place with a very wide assortment of tunes, from 'Please Please Me' to 'Blackbird', with everything in between. The crowd was into it, singing along, dancing, and cheering. I had a blast. Another fantastic night of hanging with friends, soaking up well-played Beatles music. I'd say there was nothing 'Almost' about it.
- Lemme tell ya honey - These guys ROCK. I've heard more than my share of tribute bands - heck - I probably qualify for the "Turn it up to eleven" Pete Townsend award for survivors of eons of Beatlefest's Battle of the Bands (...uh...what did she say...will someone pick up that phone already...), and these guys ROCK. The friend I was with is not quite the Fab fan that I am, and said that this was one of the best sounding bands he has ever heard. I think this is a great testament to the talent of this band, as their output was heard in its purest form, without the emotional points we Lad Lovers award even the weakest of efforts at times.
- Their voices were true and pure, and the harmonies were scary. Yep. Scary. The guy's love of the music showed in their playing, which was tight, solid, and professionally outstanding to a man. Most importantly, they made everyone feel HAPPY, which is hard to come by these days. \*Just\* Fabulous!

## **Bios of Almost FAB! Performers**

### **AJ DeFeo - Paul**

AJ hails from Bear, Delaware by way of a South Philly up bringing with his wife Donna. They have 3 sons: Chad, Chris, and AJ, He has been playing music for over 40 years. AJ is a professionally trained drummer and guitar player, having studied under Russ Faith (who penned Frank Sinatra's hit 'Somewhere in Your Heart) and Tony DeFeo (drummer for the Mills Brothers, Charlie Ventura, and Jerry Vale). Anthony's musical influences range from McCartney and The Beatles to Jazz and Big Band greats like Buddy Rich. Recently, AJ completed a CD of all original material.

### **Rich Snyder – John**

Rich holds a Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree in Theater with a Performance Concentration from Indiana University of Pennsylvania. Rich brings 40+ years of performing experience to Almost FAB, ranging from Summer Stock Professional Theater to Garage Bands. While professionally trained in Performance, he is a completely self-taught musician. Along side the Beatles, his musical influences are CSN&Y, 60's British Invasion bands, and Jazz/Big Band names like Glenn Miller and Maynard Ferguson. Most recently, Rich performed with John Dancey in the Bones Roosevelt Blues Band, and is currently performing as a singer and rhythm guitarist in an 8 piece band based in Lansdale, PA. Beatles or Stones? It's "No Contest" for Rich.

### **Steve Eissler – George**

Like many kids who grew up in the 60's, Steve was profoundly influenced by the Beatles, upon their arrival in the United States in 1964. Begging his parents for guitar lessons at age 10, he learned to play and sing the Beatles songs, as each successive album was released through 1970. From 2005 - 2008, Steve played with Beatlemania The Tribute, which featured members from the original Broadway cast of Beatlemania. This ensemble delighted audiences at many prestigious venues including Harrahs' Casino and The United Nations.

### **Anthony Caponigro – Ringo**

Anthony first became a Beatles fan the day they landed in America in 1964. For 20 years he was the drummer for the “Second Time Around” band, playing the sounds of the 50’s, 60’s, and 70’s in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware. He also played Ringo in the Beatles Tribute Band “Liverpool Beat” from 2005 through 2008.

Anthony enjoys listening to old time Rock and Roll as well as, of course, the Chairman of the Board - Frank Sinatra.

Anthony was born in South Philly and raised in Ridley Township, PA. He now resides in Glenolden with his family.

### **Ed Scanni – George Martin / Billy Preston / and more**

Ed was born in South Philly and raised in Pennsauken, New Jersey. He started playing piano when he was 5 and took formal lessons from age 8 to 18. He also studied guitar for two years. Ed played in bands all through high school and college. After graduating, he took to the road with his two-man show, Two’s Company, and toured the entire Eastern Coast of the United States. His influences in addition to the Beatles (of course!) were the brass section bands of the 70’s – Chicago, Earth Wind and Fire, Blood, Sweat and Tears and Tower of Power. Ed is currently the on staff Music Director at his church, and is also working in Restaurant Management at a National US Chain.